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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Kirkpatrick

Kirk:

In the attached memorandum [redacted] points out that we can see an Office of Communications workload for Fiscal Year 1963 requiring a budget of [redacted] and a personnel strength of [redacted]. Even assuming that we can get approval for the money and the people, we are concerned about the much lower standards of training proficiency which we will have to accept on the part of our personnel in support of clandestine operations.

I think we have come to believe over the years that the Office of Communications can do almost anything and do it well. I firmly believe, however, that we cannot maintain the high standards of the past if we take on the additional workload. [redacted] thinks that we are already over-extended, and I am inclined to agree with him. I think that this general situation should be brought to the attention of General Carter and the Director, as well as the Executive Committee; and I would concur in the dispatch of a letter to the Department of State along the lines of that proposed by [redacted].

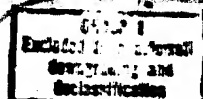
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